3. The procedure followed for recruitment of Airmen is as given below:-

Recruitment of airmen in the IAF is made on the basis of a written test followed with a trade allocation test. Question are of objective type. Applications are called from candidates all over India twice a year for Technical as well as Non-Technical trades. Medium of examination is English for Technical trades. For Non-Technical Trades, question papers are set both in Hindi and English.

4. Recruitment of officers in the Armed Forces is through the UPSC as well as by direct recruitment through the Services Selection Boards. Medium of examination for officers in English.

[*English*]

Exports of Woollen Products

4774. SHRI GOPI NATH GAJAPATHI:
SHIR R. SURENDER REDDY:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to encourage exports of woollen products;

(b) if so, the target fixed for the export of woollen products during the Eighth Five Year Plan period;

(c) whether any long terms plan is proposed to drawn up or strategy is proposed to be adopted to increase woollen exports; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) to (d). The Government is encouraging the export of woollen products. Wool & Woollens Export Promotion Council is the nodal organisation to promote the export of these products. The Council draws various plans and strategies for promoting the exports to potential markets. The strategy includes developing of new markets and new production centres sponsoring of sales-cum-study teams, participation in exhibitions abroad. A target of US $ 781 million has been fixed for export of woollen products at the end of the Eighth Five Year Plan.

Figures of Net Savings

4775. SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI:
SHRI PARAS RAM BHARDWAJ:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the figures of country's net savings issued by the Reserve Bank of India vis-a-vis the figures issued by the Central Statistical Organisation in January 1991; and

(b) the reasons for divergence in the figures, if any?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) The figures of country's net savings estimated by the Reserve Bank of India and the Central Statistical Organisation (in February 1991) for selected years are indicated below:

Rs. crores

Year	*Estimates of Net Savings at current prices*	
	RBI	*CSO*
1980-81	16,698	16,699
1988-89	40,672	44,208
1989-90	47,547	50,387

(b) The broad reasons for difference in the estimates of net Savings by the two Organisations are:

(i) The RBI prepares its estimates in October/November for publication in the Report on Currency and Finance, whereas, the CSO prepares its annual estimates in January/ February. Thus with the availability of more recent data the CSO estimates differ from the estimates prepared by the RBI which are based on earlier data. This difference in timing of publication results in differences in the estimates in respect of public sector and household savings.

(ii) Differences in the estimates of private corporate savings are due to timing of publication as well as the different methods of estimation adopted by the two Organisations.

Rural Hut Insurance Scheme

4776. SHRI V. SOBHANADREESWARA RAO VADDE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of beneficiaries of the Rural Hut Insurance Scheme since its inception, State-wise;

(b) whether there are any cases of delay in payment of the indemnity under the above scheme;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) The information regarding number of beneficiaries , State-wise, under Hut Insurance Scheme since its inception, upto 31st July, 1971, for which figures are available, is as under:-

S. No.	*State/U.T.*	*Number of beneficiaries*
1.	Andhra Pradesh	48078
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	Nil
3.	Assam	208
4.	Bihar	30318